

Busigny, October 27, 1918.

Commanding General, 30th Division.

Acting as a representative of the commune and in its name, consequently in the name, too, of a part of France, I take the liberty to come and express to our liberator and to the gallant troops under your command, our feelings of deepest and eternal gratitude.

For those who have not been submitted, as we have, for four years, to the intolerable and abhorred German yoke, it is difficult to realize how great were the relief, the joy, the well-being, in a word the unexpressible happiness we all felt when the first Allied troops made their way through our village, and this great event has been for us like the dawn of a resurrection.

I should be very thankful to you if you would convey to all your officers, N.C.O's. and men under your command, our deep feelings of admiration and eternal gratitude.

Please, Sir, accept the expression of my highest consideration and believe me

Yours most devotedly,

The Mayor of Busigny,
E. MAIRIS.

November 15 th, 1918.

Commanding General, 30th Division.

1. Referring to the telegram from the Commander-in-Chief of appreciation of the sacrifice and service of the troops of the American Expeditionary Force, I feel that it should be impressed upon the men of our command that they, and the organizations to which they belong, have played an exceptional part in bringing about the magnificent results which the Commander-in-Chief has so warmly eulogized, and that every advantage should be taken of this expression of what has been done in the past and confidence as to the future by those in command to inspire their men with pride in the service they